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## SEINING VESSELS LEAVING FLEET.

### Skippers Becoming Discouraged at Mackerel Outlook.

Nothing new is reported this morning in the mackerel situation. The seiners have not been heard from, so it is evident that they are not finding any fish. The netters have about all withdrawn and are now engaged in swordfishing, with exception of a few small boats at Newport and New Bedford.

Several of the seiners have already abandoned the mackerel fishery and are now fitting out for shacking. Those which have withdrawn are schs. Arcadia, Morning Star, Arabia, Pythian, Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., Squanto, Preceptor and Cynthia.

Sch. Squanto, which is owned by Winsor & Arnold of Boston, is reported to have been sold to New York parties.

Unless something unforeseen turns up for the better, other vessels of the seining fleet will abandon the mackerel fishery and go shacking or salt cod fishing.

The Canadian Fish Bureau of Tuesday last report mackerel scarce at Yarmouth, a few being taken at Locke and Liverpool, and quite plenty at Atherton, P. E. I.

A despatch received by the Board of Trade this forenoon from Capt. John E. Gorman at Newport says that the keepers of the South shoal lightship report mackerel schooling quite freely off there this morning.

The captain of sch. Matiana which arrived at Boston today, reports seeing a good school of mackerel yesterday off Chatham. Shortly after he spoke sch. Diana and informed her captain of what he had seen.

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## LONG MEETING AT THE HAGUE.

### Premier Morris Thinks Session Will Last Through July.

Letters received at Newfoundland from the premier, Sir Edward Morris, indicate his expectation that the fishery arbitration at The Hague will end about the last of July. He foreshadowed in one letter that Sir Robert Finlay's opening address would occupy two weeks, and allowed a similar period for Senator Turner's speech on the American side. The speeches of Sir James Winter, for Newfoundland, and J. S. Ewart, for Canada, he estimated would occupy two or three days each and a similar period for those of Messrs. Elder and Scott, American counsel. A fortnight each is likewise estimated for the closing addresses by Sir William Robson, the British Attorney-General, and Senator Root, the leading counsel on the American side.

#### Newfoundland Fish News.

Splendid fishing is reported at Torbay and all boats were loaded while at Flatrock there are also an excellent signs all boats doing well, while one man had 40 quintals in his trap. This is the largest single catch for the vicinity for this season to date.

A message to Baine Johnstone & Co. from Battle Harbor says codfish were plentiful for hook and liners there yesterday. Traps have not done very much as yet owing to prevalent northeast winds.

George Lowe secured five quintals of cod in his trap on the local ground recently. Codfish were plentiful at Quidi Vidi and haddock were numerous, many being caught. Old fishermen say this is a good sign of codfish.

During the storm of last week, 14 traps and 12 boats were destroyed at Musgrave Harbor, the damage amounting to about \$3000. At Lead and Sibley's Cove great destruction was also wrought by the sea, to fishing gear and at Old Perlican also traps were wrecked.

#### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Ingomar, Mildred Robinson and Vanessa arrived at Liverpool, N. S., on Tuesday, took bait and ice and cleared for the fishing grounds.

Sch. Manhasset sailed from Causo, on Tuesday.

Capt. Freeman Crowell will now command sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., in the shack fishery.

Capt. Freeman Decker in sch. Morning Star has fitted out and will sail today on a shacking trip.

#### Capt. Anderson Has Sore Hand.

Sch. Lizzie Griffin of Bucksport, Me., arrived at Louisburg, C. B., on Tuesday from the banks. The Griffin has been away from home a month and has 40,000 pounds of fish. Capt. Anderson of the Griffin is suffering from a sore hand, and went to the marine hospital for treatment.

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## FEW VESSELS AT BOSTON.

### But Fish Prices Show Downward Tendency.

Receipts at Boston today are confined to the small catch of four or five vessels, but being near the last of the week, prices show a downward tendency. This was naturally expected at the end of the week, and vessels out would make a point to be in early next week, when prices are likely to be higher.

One swordfisherman, sch. Matiana, arrived with 18 fish, which sold at 18 cents per pound.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

#### Boston Arrivals.

Warren M. Goodspeed, 12,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Rebecca, 1000 haddock, 13,000 cod.

Sch. Matiana, 1000 haddock.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 1000 haddock, 2000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, 2000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Alice, 10,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Motor, 180 swordfish.

Haddock, \$2.25 to \$2.50; large cod, \$2; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2.50; pollock, \$1.50; hake, \$2.65; swordfish, 15 cts. per lb.

#### THE SALT FISH MARKET.

##### Dealers Report No Large Consignments but Many Light Orders.

The salt fish market is in a healthy condition and the dealers' filling many light orders, which will mean a clear house when heavier transactions are in order later in the early fall. While no large consignments are going forward, the steady outflow will make a far larger aggregate than is expected at this season.

The stock of genuine cod is extremely light, for only a few vessels of the salt bank fleet have yet arrived, and the shackers whose trips are sold for splitting have not landed the big fares they did one year ago. In fact some of them have been out nearly two months, which is a long time on such trips, and this in itself is proof as stated sometime ago, that fish are scarcer on this ground than they were last season.

The market has been very firm for June which is always a month of moderate prices, but to date rates on all grades of salt cod from vessels have been higher than that of last season.

Dealers are expecting heavier receipts in the near future when the dory handline fleet returns, which they expect early in July. Reports from those vessels say that they have not met with any degree of success, and some of them may only make one trip, unless squid bait makes its appearance on the banks as it did last year. Most of the salt bank codfishers are dory handlining and any great catch by them is an uncertainty.

At the present time, stock of old and new fish are sufficient for the moderate demand, but it would only take a few weeks of brisk trading to clean out the entire receipts now held in shippers' hands.

The situation is such, that dealers are not selling futures months ahead as has often been the case for the limited supply will not warrant any such transaction. The market, however, is too firm with an upward tendency for dealers to fill orders for delivery months ahead when they know that fish will necessarily be higher before the season closes.

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## FISH MARKET CORPORATION.

### Stockholders of Million-Dollar Enterprise Meet Next Week.

Some day next week, to be decided later, there will be a meeting of the stockholders in the new million dollar enterprise, known as the Boston fish market corporation, at 17 1-2 T wharf, for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization and the election of a board of officers and directors. The corporation was granted a charter in Massachusetts yesterday under which it will conduct its business.

The \$1,000,000 capital is divided into 10,000 shares, par \$100, has nearly all been subscribed by local fish interests. The incorporators are wholesale fish dealers and comprise John R. Neal, W. J. O'Brien, E. A. Rich, M. P. Shaw, F. J. O'Hara, N. D. Freeman, J. Burns Jr., C. J. Whitman and L. E. Goodspeed.

The land is owned by the state and is just east of the Commonwealth pier in South Boston.

The construction of a pier 1200 feet long and 300 feet wide will be begun as soon as possible so that it may be completed within two years, that the corporation may then begin the construction of the market buildings. The New Haven railroad will construct a spur track to the pier.

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## Cold Storage for Fish Successful in Nova Scotia.

Cold storage for fish has met with great success in Nova Scotia since its inception.

Boutillier's plant was erected some few years ago at a cost of \$15,000.

It has met with more than ordinary success and today the company are arranging to extend their plant at Halifax, Conso, Hawkesbury, etc., to the extent of \$100,000 more.

Although the province is vitally interested in this industry very little is heard about it. To their fishermen it means a great deal, as it also does to fish merchants and transportation companies.

When questioned by a reporter Mr. Boutillier said the increase in business during the year—a very prosperous year in every respect—his company had come to the conclusion that an extension of the present plant was imperative. They were therefore, preparing their plans for enlargement to the extent of \$100,000. This will give them a plant valued at \$250,000.

#### Fisheries Company to Dissolve.

The Fisheries Company of Philadelphia, which was incorporated in 1900, for the manufacture of fish oils and guano, is to sell its properties.

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## BIG CATCH OF SALMON.

### Fish in Maine Do Not Average So Large This Year, However.

More salmon have been taken at the pools at Bangor the present year than for many seasons. The fish do not run so large as formerly, ranging from 11 to 17 pounds, whereas in the past they ranged from 17 to 31. It is believed that the explanation of the difference in size is found in the large numbers of artificially hatched fish, which have been placed in the Penobscot river by the national government in the past 10 years. These fish would hardly have attained a greater size than 17 pounds at this time.



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## FISH RECEIPTS CONTINUE LOW.

### Sch. Ralph Russell Lands Good Drift Fare.

Only two vessels with fish have arrived since last report so that receipts today are at a low ebb.

Sch. Ralph Russell, from drift fishing, having a good fare of 60,000 pounds of salt cod and other mixed ground fish. This vessel has been out but three weeks, and the trip, which was caught off Cape Shore, is one of the best in this fishery made this season.

The other arrival is sch. Arthur D. Story, which brings a small trip of salt cod and halibut from Georges.

No shore fish of any kind has come forward, and most of the pollock seiners have abandoned their operations off here, and are now withdrawn from this fishing, for the time being.

Receipts of fish for some time will be small until the arrival of the dory handliners, which will be some time yet.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Ralph Russell, drifting, 60,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Arthur D. Story, Georges, 17,000 lbs. salt cod, 1000 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Mary DeCosta, via Boston.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, via Boston.  
Sch. Clara G. Silva, via Boston.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Rob Roy, shacking.  
Sch. Elmer E. Gray, seining.  
Sch. Lizzie, M. Stanley, salt fishing.  
Sch. Harriet, haddocking.  
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, haddocking.  
Sch. Masasoit, swordfishing.  
Sch. Benjamin A. Smith, seining.

#### Today's Fish Market.

Cape Shore salt mackerel, \$15.50 per bbl.  
Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.  
Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.  
Large salt handline Georges cod, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.00.  
Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.; medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.  
Outside sales drift Georges salt cod \$3.50 per cwt. for large and \$3.00 for mediums.  
Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.  
Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.  
Round pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.; dressed pollock, 75 cts.  
Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.60; medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, round, 65 cts.; dressed, 70 cts.

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#### GULLS ROB TRAWLS.

Said To Be as Great Bait Destroyers  
As Dogfish.

Capt. Joseph King of sch. Edith Silveira, brought into Boston yesterday 65 dead gulls which himself and crew killed while they were attempting to eat the bait from the trawls as they were being set. Capt. King says the gulls are about as great bait destroyers as are the dogfish.

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#### Price of Cod Advanced.

The codfish fare of sch. Ralph Russell was sold to the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co. this forenoon at \$3.75 per hundred weight for large and \$3.25 for medium an advance of 25 cents on each grade from previous quotations.

#### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Cynthia arrived at Liverpool, N. S., on Thursday and cleared.  
Sch. Margaret arrived at Canso and cleared on Wednesday.

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## SCH. PAULINE HAS GOOD TRIP.

### Only Fishing Arrival at This Port Today.

Receipts of fish continue extremely light. Only one vessel has arrived since last report, sch. Pauline, from Georges, with 16,000 pounds of salt cod and 500 pounds of halibut. The Times predicted that there would be no arrivals until the last of the week, as the fishermen would remain out so as to be in for the Fourth.

The pollock seiners turned up this morning after searching the coast the last two days and failed to find any fish. The skippers think that the pollock have left this section and will not be found again this summer.

As for the off shore fishermen, it is but a matter of conjecture when any of them will be home, some of the fleet out on a second trip are due to arrive and next week may see some of them home.

No one can tell what time the dory handliners will be coming along but reports of a late date from them show that they have not taken many fish yet, so that their trips may be prolonged.

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Sch. George Parker, seining.  
Sch. Grace E. Freeman, netting.  
Steamer Joppaite, pollocking.  
Steamer Bryda F., pollocking.  
Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, seining.  
Steamer Kate and Nellie, shore.  
Steamer Florence and Mildred, shore.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, via Boston.  
Sch. Gladys and Sabra, Boston.  
Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, seining.  
Sch. Selma, Portland.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Squanto, Boston.  
Sch. Morning Star, shacking.  
Sch. Etta Mildred, seining.  
Sch. Corona, flitted halibuting.

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#### TILE FISH AT NEW BEDFORD.

Sch. A. C. Newhall Landed 1000 Pounds  
There Yesterday.

Sch. A. C. Newhall of this port landed 1000 pounds of tile fish at New Bedford yesterday, which startled the old and hardy longshoremen at the wharf, who until today have believed that tile fish had been extinct for the past thirty years. Moreover, Capt. S. A. Landry, of the fisherman, is wondering what his catch is going to amount to for there are no market quotations on tile at New Bedford.

The tile fish, which are of a deep water variety, were caught by the Newhall on the Georges grounds, about 125 miles southeast of New Bedford. Capt. Landry stated that the tile were in abundance and that he had by no means relieved the briny deep of all the believed extinct tile.

According to the Standard Dictionary a tile fish is a latiloid fish marked with large yellow spots, esteemed as food. It was discovered in 1879 in deep waters of the northeastern coast of the United States and was then caught in large numbers. It disappeared in 1892, when large schools were found dead in the water.

July 2.

## THREE ARRIVALS AT T WHARF.

### Fare of Swordfish Brought Good Price.

The receipts of fish at Boston today are confined to what is brought in by three vessels, one of which is the swordfisherman Stranger, with 18 fish, which were sold at 15 cents per pound, and two market boats. Prices as usual for the first of the week, are low, and the stock is sufficient for the day's demand.

Sch. Nokomis, which arrived yesterday, brought in what was a stranger among the fish venders at T wharf, which was none other than a black fish, weighing 600 pounds, and measuring 10 feet in length. The fish was placed on exhibition and attracted much attention.

The market at Boston will not open again until Tuesday, when it is expected that a large fleet will be in, as many of them are now due. Dealers up there predict a firm market when they open again for business, as everything will be cleaned up today.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

#### Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Stranger, 18 swordfish.  
Sch. Emily Sears, 10 swordfish.  
Sch. Quannapowitt, 4000 haddock, 4000 cod, 3000 hake, 500 pollock.  
Haddock and cod, \$2.50 per cwt., right through; hake, \$1 to \$2; pollock, \$2; swordfish, 15 cents per lb.

## NO TIDINGS FROM SEINERS.

### Nova Scotia Mackerel Also Coming Along Slowly.

Another 24 hours has passed and nothing of a favorable nature from the mackerel seiners. The captain of sch. George Parker which arrived last night from the Block Island grounds, reports finding no fish and at present it seemed quite dry. But Capt. O'Brien says he has seen the same conditions at this time and by the middle of July there was good fishing upon this shore.

The steamer from Nova Scotia today at Boston has from 30 to 40 barrels of mackerel among her cargo, which show that the fish are scarce along the Nova Scotia coast, or else they would be coming forward in greater quantities.

The total receipts from Cape Shore so far have been 47 having in all 2,490 bbls. salt and 26,600 fresh mackerel. There are five vessels that have not yet reported but they are now probably in the South and have no fish.

The foreign receipts at Boston this week comprise 869 bbls. from Ireland and 100 bbls. from Nova Scotia. Prices of foreign mackerel are firm. The Nova Scotia mackerel are new fish and are the first receipts. They are about the same in quality as the arrivals by the American fleet.

New Irish mackerel are quoted at \$12 bbl. and Nova Scotia salt mackerel new at \$15 per bbl.

The catch of salt mackerel to date is 2490 barrels against 11,540 barrels to this date last year and 14,872 barrels in 1908.

The imports of salt mackerel to date are 3135 barrels against 498 barrels to this date last year and 3257 barrels in 1908.

The catch of fresh mackerel to date is 16,410 barrels against 30,354 barrels to this date last year and 33,018 barrels in 1908.